

**Public Hearing and Rule Adoption**

A public hearing was held at 9:00 a.m. by the Georgia State Board of Examiners for Certification of Water and Wastewater Treatment Plant Operators and Laboratory Analysts at the Office of the Division Director, Professional Licensing Boards Division, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia, pursuant to the Board's decision to adopt proposed rule amendments. There were no written or oral comments received. The hearing was closed at 9:05 a.m.

A meeting of the Georgia State Board of Examiners for Certification of Water and Wastewater Treatment Plant Operators and Laboratory Analysts was held on Thursday, May 19, 2005, at the Office of the Division Director, Professional Licensing Boards Division, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia.

Members of the Board in attendance were:

Robert L. Tant, Chairman  
Margaret Doss, Vice Chairman  
John C. Dean  
Harry J. Jue  
Peter F. Zorbanos

Other attendees were:

Steve Lindsey, Executive Director  
Robert Renjel, Assistance Attorney General  
Jocelyn Hunt, Macon Water Authority  
Eric Townsend, Dalton Utilities  
Joel Peacock, GW & PCA

Chairman Tant called the meeting to order at 9:30 am and established that a quorum was present.

Visitors who attended the Board Meeting were acknowledged.

Mr. Zorbanos moved, Ms. Doss seconded, and the Board voted to approve the minutes of the March 21, 2005 meeting.

**Board Rule Adoption:****750-6-.02 Renewal of a Certificate. Amended.**

Ms. Doss moved, Mr. Dean seconded, and the Board voted to approve the amendments to Board Rule 750-6-.02(3) and (4).

**750-6-.03 Renewal of More Than One Certificate. Amended.**

Ms. Doss moved, Mr. Dean seconded, and the Board voted to approve the amendments to Board Rule 750-6-.03

**750-6-.04 Basic, Advanced, and Continuing Education Courses.**

Ms. Doss moved, Mr. Dean seconded, and the Board voted to approve the amendments to Board Rule 750-6-.04.

**Correspondence and Items of Information:**

1. Ms. Doss moved, Mr. Zorbanos seconded, and the Board voted to approve the licenses issued since the last list was reviewed:

**Water Class 1**

License Number	Name	Date Issued	Method
W1-014380	Autrey, Rocky G.	04/01/05	Examination
W1-014381	Jones, Larry	04/01/05	Examination
W1-014382	Campbell, James Edward	04/29/05	Examination
W1-014383	Shaw, Daniel David	04/29/05	Examination

**Water Class 2**

License Number	Name	Date Issued	Method
W2-014516	Kyle, Armando Enrique	04/01/05	Examination
W2-014517	McCaster, Javen Hashim	04/01/05	Examination
W2-014518	Reising, Kyle Patrick	04/01/05	Examination
W2-014519	Staley, Richard Michael	04/01/05	Examination
W2-014520	Kight III, John Scott	04/29/05	Examination
W2-014521	Shepherd, Sharon Yvonne	04/29/05	Examination

**Water Class 3**

License Number	Name	Date Issued	Method
W3-015228	Allen, Stancil Keith	04/01/05	Examination
W3-015229	Brady, Shirley Jean	04/01/05	Examination
W3-015230	Crow, Meredith Edward	04/01/05	Examination
W3-015231	Fenton, John Hartley	04/01/05	Examination
W3-015232	Jacques, Fritz	04/01/05	Endorsement – CT
W3-015233	Robert Ira Loftin	04/01/05	Examination
W3-015234	McArthur Jr., Quentin C.	04/01/05	Examination
W3-015235	Tabor, James M.	04/01/05	Examination
W3-015236	White, Robert Cullen	04/01/05	Examination
W3-015237	Addeo, Michael Stephen	04/29/05	Examination
W3-015238	Duke, Daniel Allen	04/29/05	Examination
W3-015239	Franklin, William Anthony	04/29/05	Examination
W3-015240	Waldron, Joey Roger	04/29/05	Examination
W3-015241	Wallingford, Rocky Paul	04/29/05	Examination
W3-015242	Williams, Freddie Lewis	04/29/05	Examination

**Water Class 4**

License Number	Name	Date Issued	Method
W4-001854	Richardson III, Samuel C.	04/01/05	Examination
W4-001855	Cavender, Anthony Lamar	04/01/05	Examination

**Water Class 4 (continued)**

License Number	Name	Date Issued	Method
W4-001856	Dickerson, Joannah J.	04/01/05	Examination
W4-001857	Gladstone, Garrett Wesley	04/01/05	Examination
W4-001858	Herndon Jeffrey S.	04/01/05	Examination
W4-001859	Larson, Rolly Ray	04/01/05	Examination
W4-001860	Massey, Tommy Barone	04/01/05	Examination
W4-001861	Shealy, Jason Eric	04/01/05	Examination
W4-001862	Williams, Wendell Clark	04/01/05	Examination
W4-001863	Brigmond, Ronnie Allen	04/29/05	Examination
W4-001864	Fields, Steven Dewayne	04/29/05	Examination
W4-001865	Goldsberry, Kevin Dan	04/29/05	Examination
W4-001866	Henry, Jason Randolph	04/29/05	Examination
W4-001867	Hilton, Beulah McCloud	04/29/05	Examination
W4-001868	Howell, Raymond Charles	04/29/05	Examination
W4-001869	Jackson, Lawrence Ezra	04/29/05	Examination
W4-001870	Jackson, Michael John	04/29/05	Examination
W4-001871	Johns, Doreen Schneck	04/29/05	Examination

**Water Class 4 Operator Reinstatement**

License Number	Name	Date Reinstated
W4-000402	Woods, Ronald E.	04/01/05
W4-000773	Morris, Patrick H.	04/01/05
W4-000984	Walthour, Leotha	04/29/05
W4-001677	Nichols, Brian S.	04/29/05

**Water Distribution System Operator**

License Number	Name	Date Issued	Method
WD014721	Defoor Jr., Jerry LKee	04/01/05	Examination
WD014722	Ellison, Joseph Cleveland	04/01/05	Examination
WD014723	Favors, Meco Quinsel	04/01/05	Examination
WD014724	Fitch, Dennis Keith	04/01/05	Examination
WD014725	Jasques, Fritz	04/01/05	Endorsement – CT
WD014726	Jones, Harry Neil	04/01/05	Examination
WD014727	Lawton, Steven Douglas	04/01/05	Examination
WD014728	Lee, James Clarence	04/01/05	Examination
WD014729	Lowrie, Scott Lemuel	04/01/05	Examination
WD014730	McChargue, Rickey Lewayne	04/01/05	Examination
WD014731	McGuire, Mercer	04/01/05	Examination
WD014732	Nicholson, David Barry	04/01/05	Examination
WD014733	Nunn, Samuel Eli	04/01/05	Examination
WD014734	Osborn Jr., Billy K.	04/01/05	Examination
WD014735	Powell, Kenneth James	04/01/05	Examination
WD014736	Redman, Robert Donald	04/01/05	Examination

**Water Distribution System Operator (continued)**

License Number	Name	Date Issued	Method
WD014737	Shannonhouse, Edward Barr	04/01/05	Examination
WD014738	Steen Jr., Daniel Ray	04/01/05	Examination
WD014739	Timms, Lee Scott	04/01/05	Examination
WD014740	Wallace Jr., Phillip Andrew	04/01/05	Examination
WD014741	Watkins, Kevin Wayne	04/01/05	Examination
WD014742	Wrice, Harold William	04/01/05	Examination
WD014743	Deal, Kenneth E.	04/29/05	Examination
WD014744	Finley III, States R.	04/29/05	Examination

**Water Laboratory Analyst**

License Number	Name	Date Issued	Method
WL014208	Allen III, Leonard Barnes	04/01/05	Examination
WL014209	Brahmbhatt, Vivek Harendra	04/01/05	Examination
WL014210	Flury, William Jordan	04/01/05	Examination
WL014211	Head, Herbert Lee	04/01/05	Examination
WL014212	Palmer, Roger Dale	04/01/05	Examination
WL014213	Shurley, Richard Wayne	04/29/05	Examination

**Wastewater Class 1**

License Number	Name	Date Issued	Method
WW1-014603	Black, William Byron	04/01/05	Examination
WW1-014604	Koch, David Gregory	04/01/05	Examination
WW1-014605	Neal, Jerry Allen	04/01/05	Examination
WW1-014606	Self, Jerry Lee	04/01/05	Examination
WW1-014607	Engram, Randy Eugene	04/29/05	Examination
WW1-014608	Johnston, Gary Franklin	04/29/05	Examination
WW1-014609	Smith, Tommy Monroe	04/29/05	Examination

**Wastewater Class 1 Operator Reinstatement**

License Number	Name	Date Reinstated
WW1-013598	Johnson, Carl F.	04/01/05

**Wastewater Class 2**

License Number	Name	Date Issued	Method
WW2-014578	Couch, Millard Van	04/01/05	Examination
WW2-014579	Estvanko, Christopher Alex	04/01/05	Examination
WW2-014580	Martin, Tracy Neal	04/01/05	Examination
WW2-014581	McGee, Curtis Lee	04/01/05	Examination
WW2-014582	Rann, Charles Dewayne	04/01/05	Examination
WW2-014583	Ray, Robyn Jo	04/01/05	Examination

**Wastewater Class 2 (continued)**

License Number	Name	Date Issued	Method
WW2-014584	Rutledge, Colby Lee	04/01/05	Examination
WW2-014585	Shuler, Eric Lamar	04/01/05	Examination
WW2-014586	Sumner, Billy Jack	04/01/05	Examination
WW2-014587	Houston, Ira	04/29/05	Examination
WW2-014588	Lott Sr., Kenneth Neal	04/29/05	Examination
WW2-014589	McArthur, David Kendall	04/29/05	Examination

**Wastewater Class 3**

License Number	Name	Date Issued	Method
WW3-015766	Benkoski, Peter Joseph	04/01/05	Examination
WW3-015767	Bonner, Dondi Calvin	04/01/05	Examination
WW3-015768	Bryan, Wendall Keith	04/01/05	Examination
WW3-015769	Cowart, Charles L.	04/01/05	Examination
WW3-015770	Escolastico, Herminio V.	04/01/05	Examination
WW3-015771	Harrison, James Wayne	04/01/05	Examination
WW3-015772	Horne, Lisa Oneia	04/01/05	Examination
WW3-015773	Jones, Jeffrey Scott	04/01/05	Examination
WW3-015774	Miskel, Michael Brian	04/01/05	Examination
WW3-015775	Murr, Kyle Steven	04/01/05	Examination
WW3-015776	Newsome, Aric Mathias	04/01/05	Examination
WW3-015777	Smith, Guy Randall	04/01/05	Examination
WW3-015778	Steelman, William Kent	04/01/05	Examination
WW3-015779	Young, Anthony John	04/01/05	Examination
WW3-015780	Brown, Timothy W.	04/29/05	Examination
WW3-015781	Gillima, Donald Eugene	04/29/05	Examination
WW3-015782	Killacky, Patrick Joseph	04/29/05	Examination
WW3-015783	Mock Jr., Thomas Robert	04/29/05	Examination
WW3-015784	Phillips, Lawrence R.	04/29/05	Examination
WW3-015785	Smith, Wilford Roy	04/29/05	Examination
WW3-015786	Venable, Steven Craig	04/29/05	Examination

**Wastewater Class 4**

License Number	Name	Date Issued	Method
WW4-000126	Mock Jr., Thomas Robert	04/01/05	Examination
WW4-000127	Henry, Jason Randolph	04/29/05	Examination
WW4-000128	Payne, Max Delon	04/29/05	Examination

**Wastewater Collection System Operator**

License Number	Name	Date Issued	Method
WWC031952	Allen, Joseph Carl	04/01/05	Examination
WWC031953	Barr, Nicholas William	04/01/05	Examination
WWC031954	Barrick, Arthur Moody	04/01/05	Examination
WWC031955	Drake II, James Fredrick	04/01/05	Examination
WWC031956	Hibberts, Thomas L.	04/01/05	Examination
WWC031957	Mitchell, John Adam	04/01/05	Examination
WWC031958	Mixer, Michael Charles	04/01/05	Examination
WWC031959	Morgan, John Allen	04/01/05	Examination
WWC031960	Poole, Scotty Glenn	04/01/05	Examination
WWC031961	Rains, Scott Keith	04/01/05	Examination
WWC031962	Rogers, Matt C.	04/01/05	Examination
WWC031963	Teasley, Michael Eugene	04/01/05	Examination
WWC031964	Williams, Roderick Deon	04/01/05	Examination
WWC013965	Williams, David Guy	04/29/05	Examination

**Wastewater Industrial Operator**

License Number	Name	Date Issued	Method
WWID031927	Nix, Jamie Chad	04/29/05	Examination

**Wastewater Industrial Operator Reinstatement**

License Number	Name	Date Reinstated
WWID031811	Goldwire, Lance P.	04/29/05

**Wastewater Laboratory Analyst**

License Number	Name	Date Issued	Method
WWL014355	Hardesty, Yaun F.	04/01/05	Examination
WWL014356	Hatcher, John Christopher	04/01/05	Examination
WWL014357	Strickland, Tidarat	04/01/05	Examination
WWL014358	Bare-Young, Holly Ann	04/29/05	Examination
WWL014359	Dixon, Bonnie Ann LaClair	04/29/05	Examination

**Correspondence and Items of Information:**

- The Board reviewed correspondence from Scott Harter of ABC, in which he requested Board comment on the possibility of granting continuing education credit for operators who receive “on-site training” from state officials during inspections and surveys of facilities.

The response from the Board was that the Board does not approve continuing education credits for this type of training.

- The Board reviewed correspondence from ABC Standards Committee, in which the Committee requests a proxy vote from the Board on ratification of the Committee’s revisions to the ABC Operator Certification Program Standards.

Ms. Doss moved, Mr. Dean seconded, and the Board voted to approve the revisions. The Proxy form will be mailed to the ABC Standards Committee.

4. The Board reviewed correspondence from Samuel Fongang, in which he requested a decision from the Board concerning whether his education will qualify him to take a Wastewater Laboratory Analyst exam.

The Board advised that the requirements for taking the specific exam include three months of experience working in a wastewater laboratory.

5. The Board reviewed correspondence from Allan Michael Melton, in which he requested a waiver of eight days of experience from the two-year requirement in order to be eligible to take a Water Class 2 Operator exam.

Ms. Doss moved, Mr. Dean seconded, and the Board voted to approve a waiver of eight days of experience to be eligible for a Water Class 2 Operator certificate.

6. The Board reviewed correspondence from Schwerman Trucking Company, in which the company requests advice concerning obtaining a licensed operator in the event of a vacancy.

The Board advised that the company should consult with its local regulator for advice on filling a vacancy of a licensed operator.

#### **Other Business:**

1. The Board reviewed an issue of whether the Board can require approved training course providers to give an exam prior to issuing certificates of completion of the courses. The members noted that no rule exists that requires a training course provider to give an exam, although the provider may give an exam on his or her own initiative. The Board does not require an exam prior to issuance of certificates of completion of courses. The Board also noted that course provider approval letters issued by the Board staff contains a statement that indicates "...only those attendees passing the course should receive a Certificate of Completion." The Board requested that the staff remove this statement from future approval letters for course providers.
2. Mr. Lindsey, Executive Director, presented the FY 2004 Cost vs. Revenue Analysis to the Board with explanation of the analysis.
3. The Board discussed the possibility of holding its July meeting in Savannah in conjunction with a GWPCA meeting, and also holding its October meeting in Helen in conjunction with a GRW meeting. Mr. Lindsey advised them that, upon receiving written invitation from the associations, the possibility can be explored with the Division Director.

#### **Course Approval Applications:**

Ms. Doss moved, Mr. Zorbanos seconded, and the Board voted to approve those Program Approval Applications that were eligible. See Attachment.

#### **Executive Session:**

Mr. Dean moved, Mr. Zorbanos seconded, and the Board voted to enter into **Executive Session**, in accordance with O.C.G.A. 43-1-2 (k) and 43-1-19 (h) to deliberate on applications, complaints, and investigative matters and to receive an investigative report. Voting in favor of the motion were those members present who included Board members Dean, Doss, Jue, Tant, and Zorbanos. The Board concluded **Executive Session** in order to act on these matters and to continue with the public session.

**Applications:**

The following applications were presented to the Board. Ms. Doss moved, Mr. Zorbanos seconded, and the Board voted to approve the following actions:

The Board **approved** the following applicant for **Certification** as a Water Class 2 Operator:

Michael Jerome Woods

The Board **disapproved** the following applicants for **Certification** as Water Class 2 Operators:

Joel Eugene Brown

Jennifer Gray Rook

The Board **approved** the following applicants for **Certification** as Water Class 3 Operators:

John Travis Davis Jr.

Charles Allen Wendell – Pending

The Board **disapproved** the following applicant for **Certification** as a Water Class 3 Operator:

Robert Holly Fields Jr.

The Board **disapproved** the following applicants for **Certification** as Water Class 4 Operators:

Timothy Keith Brown

Charles Arthur Johns

Matthew Cole

The Board **approved** the following applicants for **Certification** as Water Distribution System Operators:

David Christopher Henson

Ronald Jenkins

Arfredrick Lanoies Magby

Paul A. West

The Board **disapproved** the following applicants for **Certification** as Water Distribution System Operators:

Danny Thomas Bailey

Darren Spencer Eastall

William O. Hinton

Tom E. Johnson

Jean Marie McManus

Joseph L. Smith

The Board **approved** the following applicant for **Certification** as a Wastewater Class 2 Operator:

Emory Rabitsch Jr.



The Board **disapproved** the following applicant for **Certification** as a Wastewater Class 2 Operator:

Stephan Michael Lewis

The Board **approved** the following applicants for **Certification** as Wastewater Class 3 Operators:

Leslie Gregg McClure – Pending

Curtis J. McDade

David Cullen Walker

The Board **disapproved** the following applicants for **Certification** as a Wastewater Class 3 Operator:

Frank Matthew Landrum

The Board **approved** the following applicant for **Certification** as a Wastewater Industrial Operator:

James David Childree

The Board **approved** the following applicant for **Certification** as a Wastewater Laboratory Analyst:

Roland Hale Green Jr.

The Board **disapproved** the following applicants for **Certification** as Wastewater Laboratory Analysts:

Paul William Ahnberg  
Sandra Gail Brewton

**Enforcement:**

Mr. Zorbanos moved, Mr. Jue seconded, and the Board voted to close Case Number **WW050022** with no action.

**Investigative Report for Cases WW050007 – WW050017:**

1. Mr. Dean moved, Mr. Jue seconded, and the Board voted to refer the following cases to the Attorney General for revocation of license: Mr. Zorbanos abstained from the vote.

**WW050007, WW050009, WW050011, WW050014**

2. Mr. Dean moved, Mr. Jue seconded, and the Board voted to refer Case Number **WW050008** to the Attorney General for suspension of license. Mr. Zorbanos abstained from the vote.
3. Mr. Dean moved, Mr. Jue seconded, and the Board voted to refer Case Number **WW050010** to Enforcement to issue a Voluntary Cease and Desist Order. Mr. Zorbanos abstained from the vote.
4. Mr. Dean moved, Mr. Jue seconded, and the Board voted to close the cases after issuing Letters of Concern to the licensed operators on the following cases: Mr. Zorbanos abstained from the vote.

**WW050012, WW050013, WW050015, WW050016, and WW050017**

5. Mr. Dean further moved, Mr. Jue seconded, and the Board voted to refer all of the cases listed in the investigative report (WW050007 – WW050017) to EPD for consideration of criminal prosecution. Mr. Zorbanos abstained from the vote.

**Attorney General Report:**

Mr. Jue moved, Mr. Dean seconded, and the Board voted to accept the Consent Order for Reinstatement of Licensure for Marvin E. Haire, license # W4-001479.

**Attorney General Report:**

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:10 pm.

Minutes Recorded by: Colleen Roehm  
Board Secretary

Minutes Reviewed by: Steve Lindsey  
Executive Director

Presiding Officer: Robert L. Tant Sr.  
Georgia State Board of Examiners for Certification of Water & Wastewater Treatment Plant Operators and Laboratory Analysts

Division Director: Mollie Fleeman  
Professional Licensing Boards Division

STATE OF GEORGIA  
COUNTY OF BIBB**AFFIDAVIT SUPPORTING CLOSING OF PUBLIC MEETING**

The Georgia Open Meetings Act, O.C.G.A. § 50-14-1 et seq., requires that all meetings of an entity covered by the statute must be open to the public unless there is some specific statutory exception which permits the closing of the meeting. If such a meeting is to be closed, the law requires that the presiding person execute a sworn affidavit stating that the subject matter of the meeting or the closed portion thereof was devoted to matters within the statutory exceptions and identifying those specific exceptions relied upon. **O.C.G.A. § 50-14-4(b). A copy of this affidavit must be filed with the minutes of the meeting in question.**

Comes now Robert L. Tant Sr., the presiding officer identified below and, before an official duly authorized to administer oaths, makes this affidavit in satisfaction of the statutory requirements outlined above.

1. I am the presiding officer of the Georgia State Board of Examiners for Certification of Water and Wastewater Treatment Plant Operators and Laboratory Analysts.
2. I am over the age of 18 and in all over aspects competent to make this sworn statement. I acknowledge that I am giving this statement under oath and penalty of perjury and that I have read the contents of this affidavit prior to signing it.
3. On May 19, 2005, this entity, which is subject to the Open Meetings Act, met. A majority of the quorum of the members present voted to close the meeting or a portion thereof for the following indicated reason(s). I hereby certify that during the closed portion of the meeting, only those subjects indicated below were discussed. I also certify that I have reviewed the exceptions provided under the Open Meetings Act that may permit the closing of a meeting and that, to the best of my knowledge, the reasons I have described in detail below meet the requirements for closing this public meeting.
4. The legal authority for the closure of this meeting was O.C.G.A. 43-1-2 (k); 43-1-19(h)
5. The subjects discussed and the underlying facts supporting the closing of this meeting are: Receipt of and deliberations regarding applications and application information and deliberations regarding investigations and enforcement matters; receipt of the results of investigations.

Further the Affiant Sayeth not.

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Robert L. Tant Sr.  
PRESIDING OFFICER

SWORN AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME

This 19th day of May, 2005

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Kathy Bradley

Notary Public

**Water/Wastewater 05/19/05 Board Meeting Program Approvals**

<b>COURSE NUMBER</b>	<b>COURSE TITLE</b>	<b>PROVIDER</b>	<b>Brd Mtgs</b>
CE-2-505-DALTON-013106-1625	Fall Protection	Dalton Utilities	5/19/2005
CE-2-505-DALTON-013106-1626	Lock Out Tag Out	Dalton Utilities	5/19/2005
CE-2-505-DALTON-013106-1627	Machinery & Machine Guarding	Dalton Utilities	5/19/2005
CE-6-505-GWWI-013106-1628	Back Flow 1 Day Renewal	GWWI	5/19/2005
CE-6-505-GWWI-013106-1629	Jar Test Procedure Workshop	GWWI	5/19/2005
DISAPPROVED	Class IV Water not expired BAS-W-IV-6-503-GWWI-013106-CE-2-868	GWWI	5/19/2005